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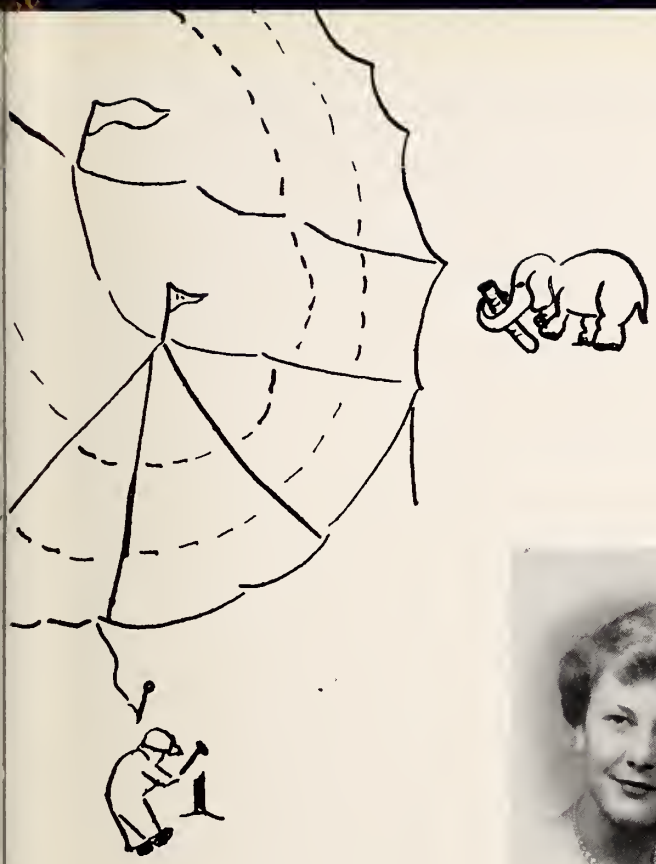

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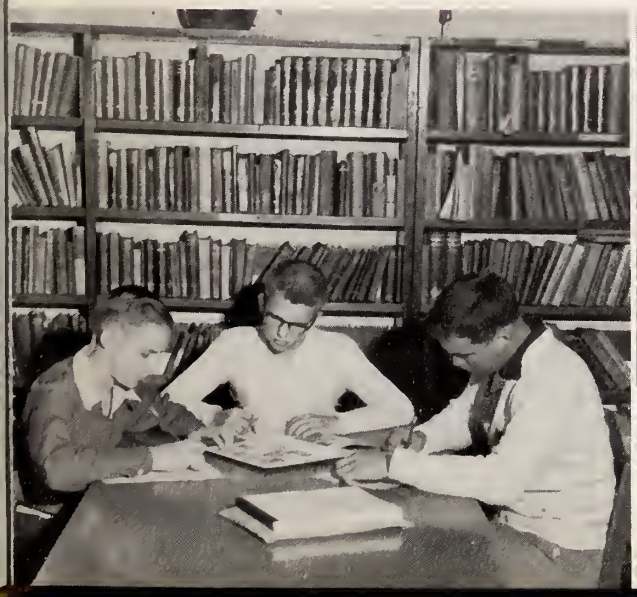

Thousands name him and acclaim him; love him and know kinship with him.

Thousands have lifted their sights through him;
have set their courses by him.

His Star guides them, and down their ways

They mark time again to feel his serene presence, his steadfastness, his quietness;

To catch that look of approval — to remember his tolerance.

We know this man; we work with him; he is our friend.

He eases young tensenesses through his comradery — through his overflowing youthful humor — so magically absorbed.

There is deep abiding peace within his heart in the knowing that YOUTH has been his Great Assignment in life;

And, that he has given himself. completely, to it.

He still serves — increasingly nobly.

Cynthia deFord Adams

MR. J. T. HATCHER

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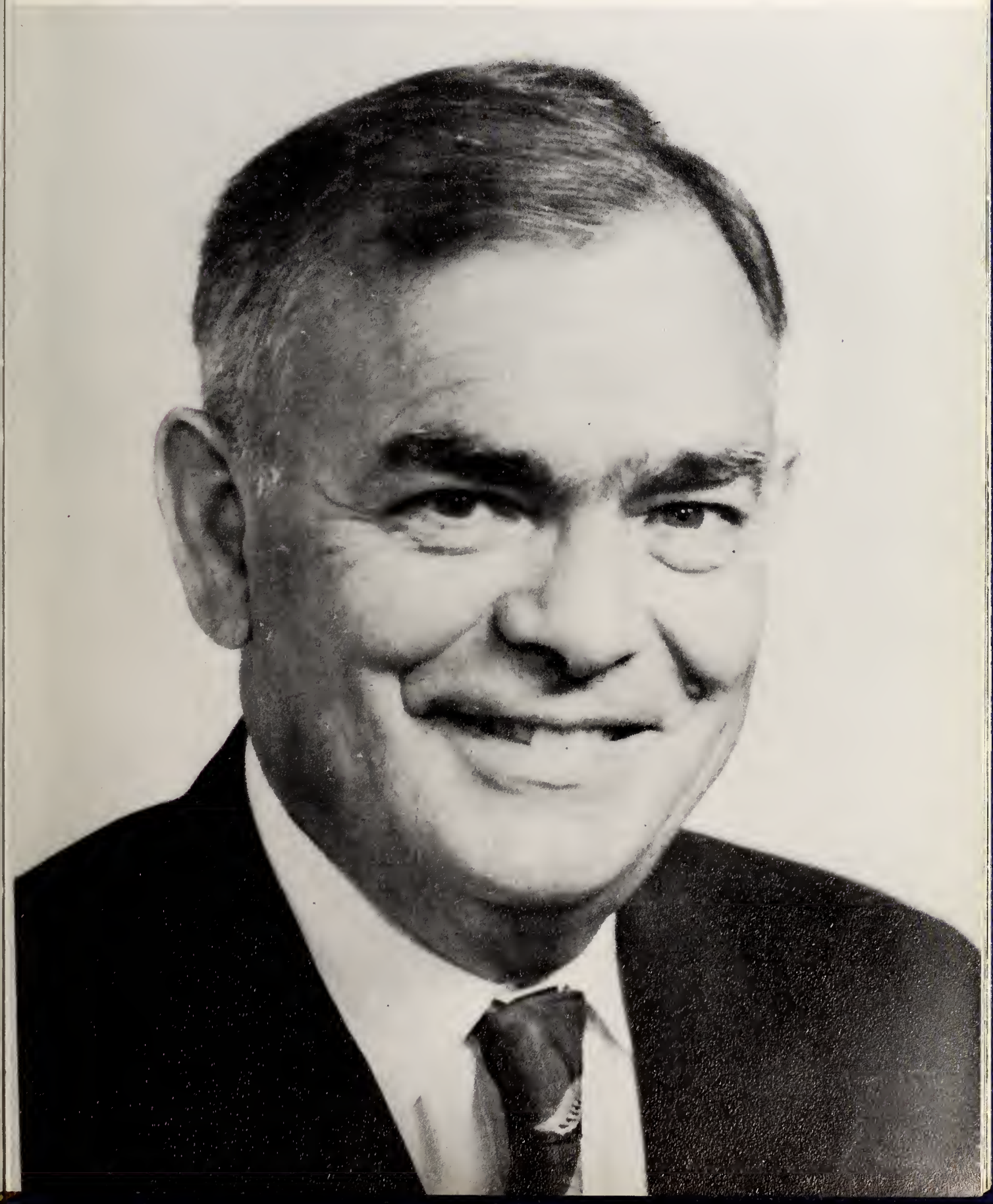

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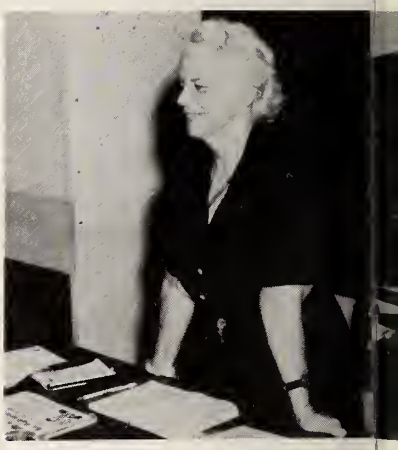

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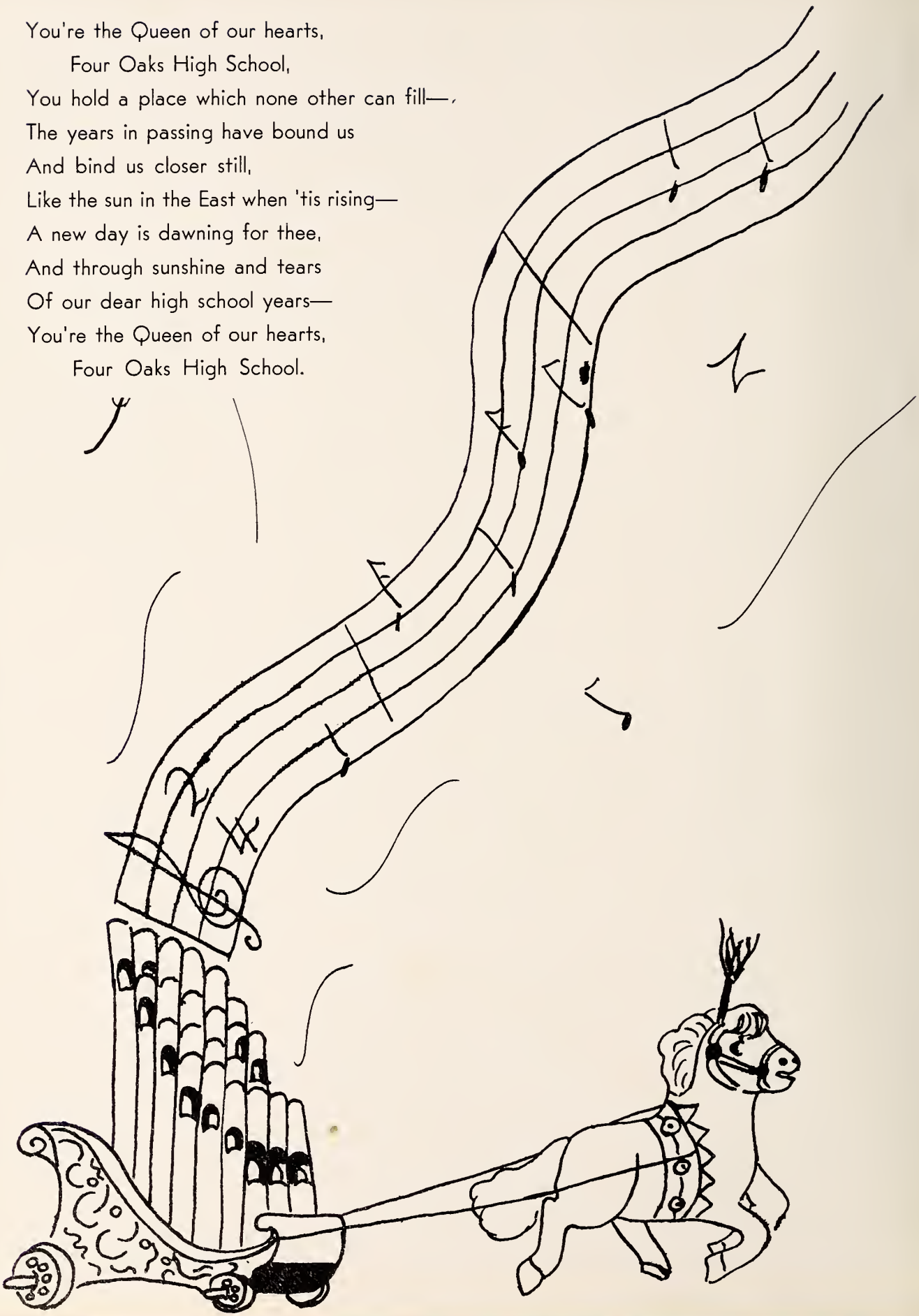
Mr. Tom Woodard

You're the Queen of our hearts,
Four Oaks High School,
You hold a place which none other can fill—
The years in passing have bound us
And bind us closer still,
Like the sun in the East when 'tis rising—
A new day is dawning for thee,
And through sunshine and tears
Of our dear high school years—
You're the Queen of our hearts,
Four Oaks High School.



Prophecy

In my traveling obout the country os a soleswomon for the Acme Hairpin and Garter Company, I take time out once in a while to enjoy myself and see some excitement. Like the other day when I wos wandering about Chicago and happened to come in contact with the Circus Grounds. I never, never expected when I entered the gates that I would experience the thrill of meeting my school chums who graduated with me in 1953 from dear 'ol Four Oaks High School. I never for a moment thought that when I saw the names Johnson, Johnson, Johnson, and Langdon before the great signs advertising the circus, that these people were Harold, Joel, Ada Bell, and Carl; and thot they were the owners of this vast universe. When my ticket was taken, the first thing that I saw was a borker, Gene Baker by name, who was yelling for me and the thousands of other spectators to come in and see the sword swallower. My curiousity on edge, I wandered into the tent and whom should I see but Mack Johnson with a three foot sword in his mouth up to the hilt. His very energetic assistant, Margie Johnson, was busily keeping various kinds of swords before the performer on a small table. After Mock swallowed thirteen swords which gave me indigestion, I walked over to the "Pitch-a-Penny" booth and saw Stanford Adams roking the pennies in. And there, pitching away their week's wages were Jimmy Olive, Elwood Bass, Rolph Jones, Elvin Allen, and Edward Martin. Resisting the temptation to splurge a few pennies here, I left the booth and wolked over to James and his "Tunnel of Love". I descended into a love boat and rode into the tunnel. The couple in front of me kept looking back and shortly, to my ostonishment, I found them to be Edword Lassiter ond Shirley Smith, now o twosome. After a most enjoyable ride, I continued my way along the sawdust-covered pathways, but soon the low whispering chant of a fortune teller lured me oway and beckoned me to come inside her tent. I did so and when I saw those eyes, I knew it could be none other than Barbara Stanley. While we chatted, she told me all her troubles. She had tried to get a job with Faye's "Modlin Agency" along with Anne Grady and Shirley Hoskett, but had been turned down on account of her nose while the others had been taken. I consoled her by having my palm read and when she told me I was to meet a tall dark somebody that day, I was very excited.

By this time I was also very hungry, so I stopped in at "Ma's Place" for a hamburger. I was served a giant hamburger by Mo herself, "Betty Jean Parker, and my drink was poured by her assistant, Ozzie Roynor. After the third hamburger and second drink I was on my way again to see the sights. I ambled over to the Big Top where the evening performance was just beginning. After buying my ticket and walking over several people, I found my seat. A funny clown, Earthul Clifton, kept trying to turn somersaults but was having a difficult time because the bottoms of his shoes kept coming off. Finally the performance begon. First there came the Queen of the Show, Laura Beth Barbour, in her coach drawn by white horses. After she had departed, the trapeze artists, Lolita Norris, Thena Ivey, and Billy Fowler brought down the house in applause with a wonderful performance. Next came the tight rope walkers, Jean Moore and Zane Grey Thornton. This was marvelous except for one thing. Someone behind me kept putting a candy apple in my hair. After much furious concentrotion, I whirled around to see Donald Creech with his arms full of candy apples, popcorn, and soda pop. By the time I removed the candy from my hair, the show wos over ond everyone started out at once. Even in the loud, boisterous laughter of the people, I did not fail to hear a very familiar giggle, and with much work I craned my neck to see three barebock riders, Betty Jean McLamb, Shirley Mayes and Dorothy Blackmon giggling up into the face of the strong man of the circus, Charles McClenny.

Finally I escoped from the crowd and walked along looking at the various booths. One cought my eye, for I saw the head of Leroy Holley sticking from beneath the sign "Hit me with the ball and win a prize". After sixteen misses I moved on. Not particularly looking where I was going, I walked head-

long into four bunches of feathers whom I found to be Jean Massengill, Dorothy Olive, Nellie Beasley, and Kay Barbour. These were on their merry way toward the tent marked "Phil Sanders and His Dancing Girls", for their performance was beginning in about five minutes. They bade me come and see the show, but tired and worried, I refused.

I was just about ready to head for my car when I spied "The Minstrel Show". This I could not resist, however tired or worried I might be. I climbed the steps and found a seat. On came three dancing girls who I found were Shirley Parker, Juanita Woodall, and Florine Johnson. In the middle of their merry-making an elderly gentleman with mustache and sideburns, David Snead, came in and danced circles around them. A "mammy", Jean Baker, brought forth many a laugh and I found I was not as tired as I had seemed. The last, but very enjoyable act was a colored trio, Shirley Lee, Polly Slaughter, and Alice Jackson who sang "Dixie", still a favorite at this time.

After this I resumed my way out of the grounds. I passed the numerous trailors and trucks which had brought these fun-makers into our midst. One of the trucks was especially attractive for painted on its side was an act I had failed to see. There was "Margo", the Magician, James Earl Massengill, sawing a body in two in a box, which I knew could be none other than Mavoreen Snead by that flaming red hair. I thought it was too late to go back for just one act so I continued my journey. As I rounded the corner of a trailer, a pan of dishwater missed me by nothing. Looking up through my wet hair, I saw the cook of the show, Betty Holloway and her electric dishwasher, Edna Mahler. This was just too much and I ran as hard as I could for my car.

The evening had been fun, but my energy and all my money were gone. Still happy, nevertheless, I did not notice the tall, dark somebody who was walking toward me as I got into my car. At length however, I did notice him, for when I saw the badge and felt him grasp me by the arm, I immediately recognized Wright Langley. And without warning, I was dragged away, but still happy at meeting my old school chums, and still wondering who put that "No Parking Sign" where my car was.

Christine Hockaday.

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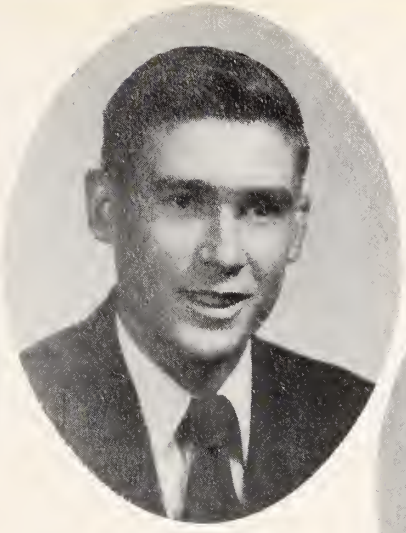
Betty Jean McLamb



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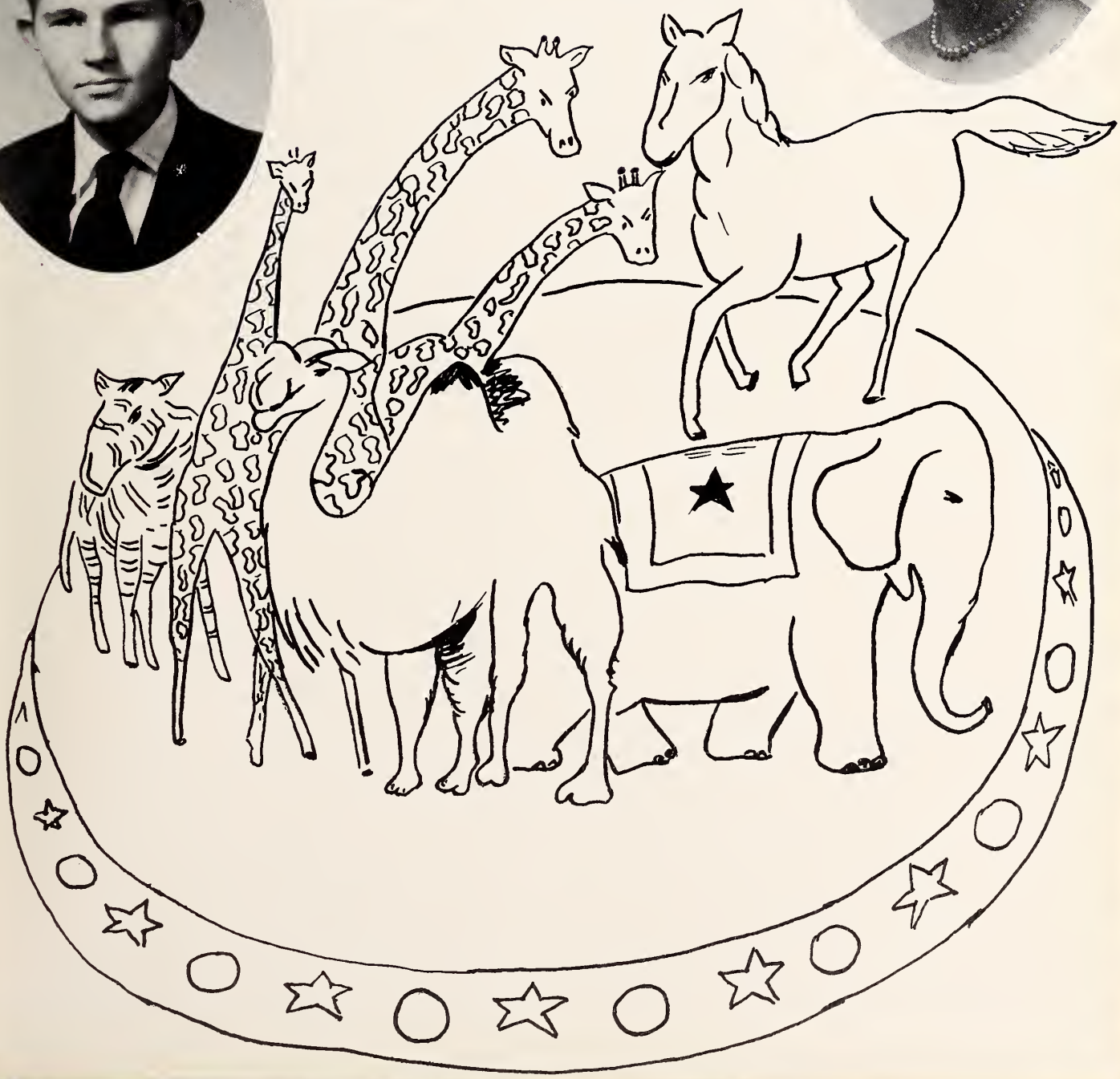
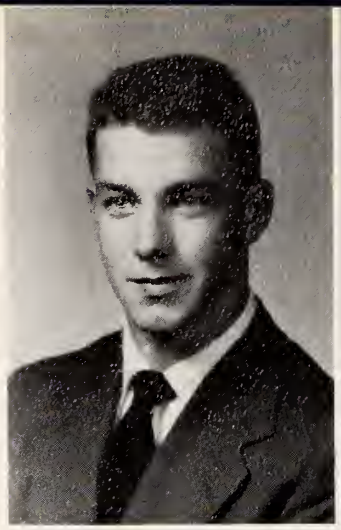
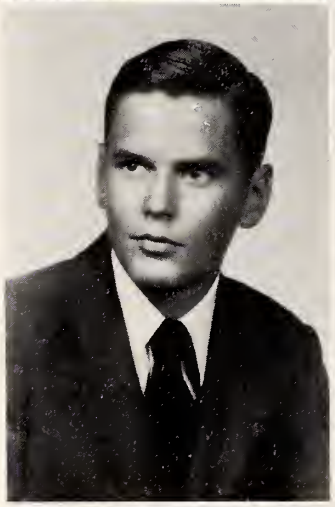


STANFORD ADAMS
Pet Peeve: Backseat drivers.
Ambition: To play college basketball.



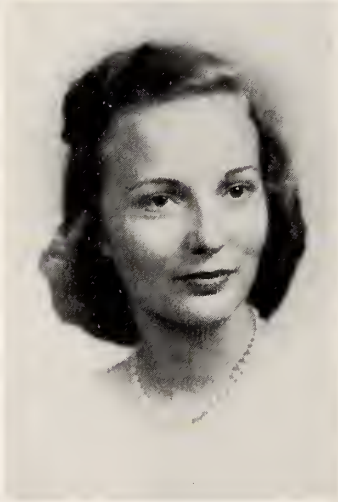
ELVIN ALLEN
Pet Peeve: Writing Themes.
Ambition: Electrical Engineer.

GENE BAKER
Pet Peeve: English.
Ambition: Ministry.



JEAN BAKER
Pet Peeve: English.
Ambition: Secretary.

KAY BARBOUR
Pet Peeve: English Themes.
Ambition: Nurse.

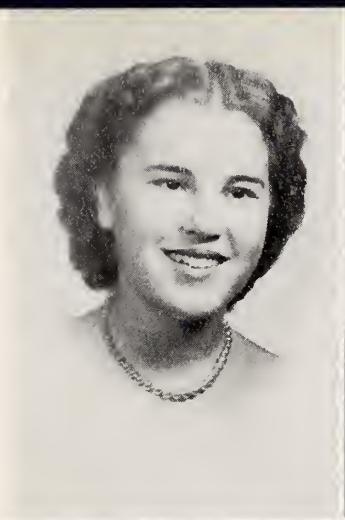


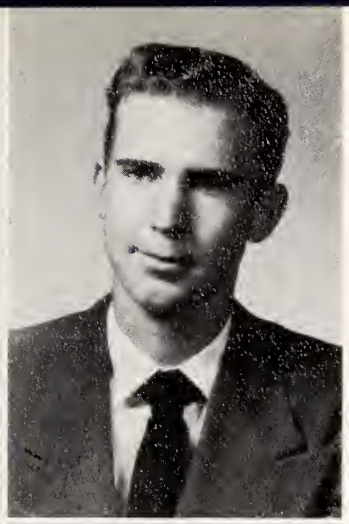
LAURA BARBOUR
Pet Peeve: A big "feeling" showoff.
Ambition: To keep my marriage a success.

ELWOOD BASS
Pet Peeve: Jealous women.
Ambition: Doctor.

NELLIE BEASLEY
Pet Peeve: Class criticism.
Ambition: Secretarial work.

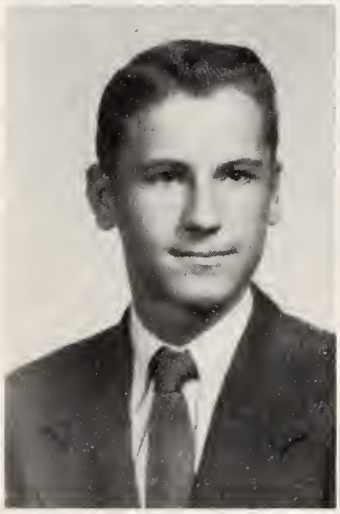
DOROTHY BLACKMON
Pet Peeve: Home work.
Ambition: Secretory.

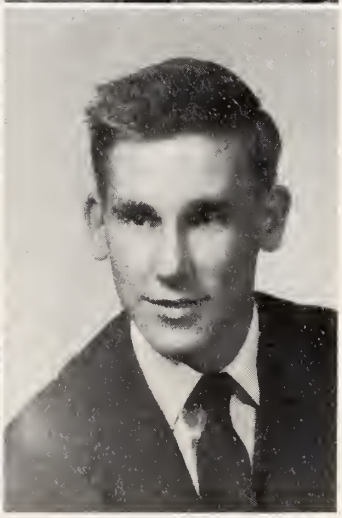




EARTHUL CLIFTON
Pet Peeve: Geometric figures.
Ambition: Radio T.V. engineer.

DONALD CREECH
Pet Peeve: Women.
Ambition: Farmer.





BILLY FOWLER
Pet Peeve: Work.
Ambition: Be o millionaire and live to enjoy it.

ANNE GRADY
Pet Peeve: Work.
Ambition: To graduote from Duke.

SHIRLEY HASKETT
Pet Peeve: English Themes.
Ambition: Nurse.

CHRISTINE HOCKADAY
Pet Peeve: Wolking up or down stoirs ofter eoch closs.
Ambition: Traveling Soleswomon.

LEROY HOLLEY
Pet Peeve: Writing themes.
Ambition: Farming.

BETTY HOLLOWAY
Pet Peeve: Themes and speeches.
Ambition: Go to college.

THENA IVEY
Pet Peeve: Bow ties.
Ambition: Secretary.

ALICE JACKSON
Pet Peeve: Making speeches.
Ambition: Business school.

ADA JOHNSON
Pet Peeve: World History.
Ambition: Nurse.

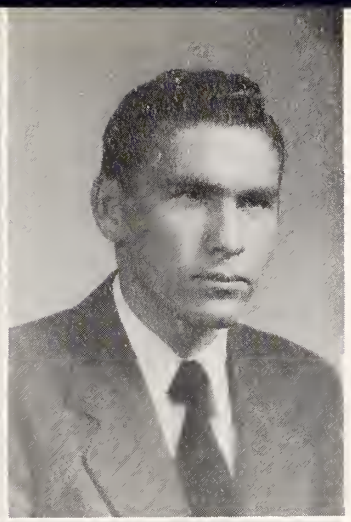
FLORINE JOHNSON
Pet Peeve: Nosy People.
Ambition: To establish a home.

HAROLD JOHNSON
Pet Peeve: Writing Themes.
Ambition: To graduate.

JOEL JOHNSON
Pet Peeve: Women drivers.
Ambition: Captain in Merchant Marines.

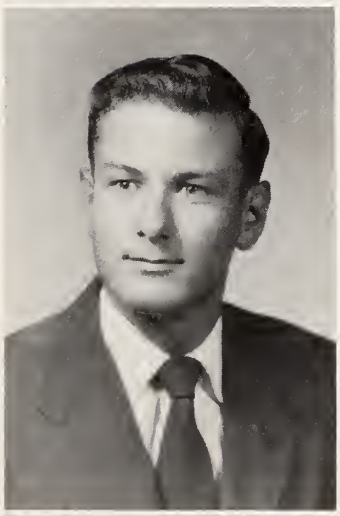
MACK JOHNSON
Pet Peeve: Work.
Ambition: To get a red Cadillac Convertible.

MARGIE JOHNSON
Pet Peeve: Gossips.
Ambitian: Secretary.



RALPH JONES
Pet Peeve: Writing Themes.
Ambitian: Ta graduate.

CARL LANGDON
Pet Peeve: Wamen drivers.
Ambitian: Cattle Farmer.

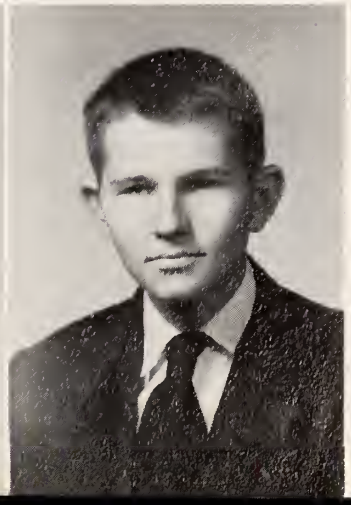


WRIGHT LANGLEY
Pet Peeve: Giggling girls.
Ambitian: Ta be a success in life.

EDWARD LASSITER
Pet Peeve: Putting strings in shaes.
Ambitian: Ta graduate.

SHIRLEY LEE
Pet Peeve: Studying.
Ambitian: Nurse.

JAMES LOVE
Pet Peeve: Teachers.
Ambitian: Aviatar.

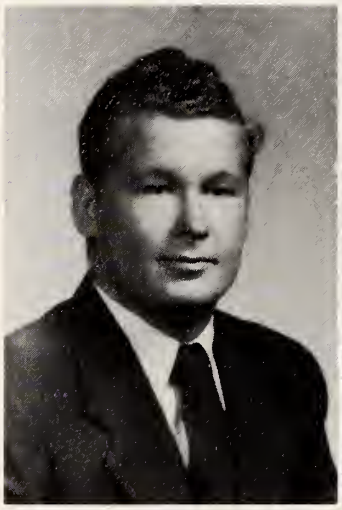


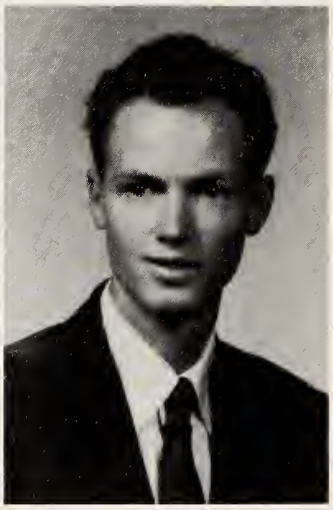
CHARLES McCLENNY
Pet Peeve: My jalapy.
Ambitian: Ta ga ta William & Mary.

BETTY JEAN McLAMB
Pet Peeve: Studying.
Ambition: Secretory.

EDNA MAHLER
Pet Peeve: Busy-bodies.
Ambition: Private Secretory.

EDWARD MARTIN
Pet Peeve: Women drivers.
Ambitian: Radio technicion.



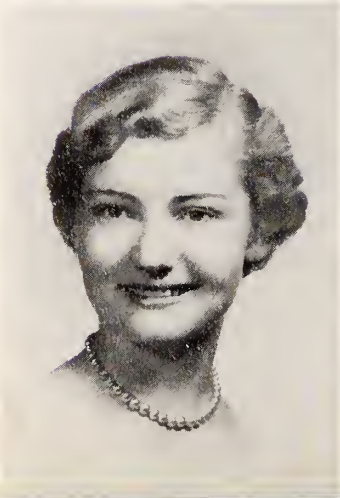


JAMES MASSENGILL
Pet Peeve: Girls.
Ambitian: Air Farce.

JEAN MASSENGILL
Pet Peeve: Woiting.
Ambition: Secretory.

SHIRLEY MAYES
Pet Peeve: Hillbilly music.
Ambition: Airline hastess.

FAYE MODLIN
Pet Peeve: The army.
Ambitian: To groduate.

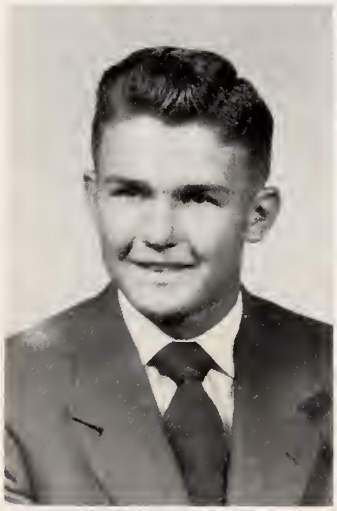


JEAN MOORE
Pet Peeve: Opera singing.
Ambitian: Beoutician.

LOLITA NORRIS
Pet Peeve: Studying.
Ambition: Secretory.

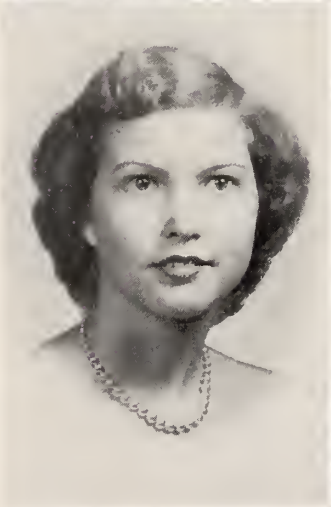
DOROTHY OLIVE
Pet Peeve: Busy-bodies.
Ambition: Housewife.

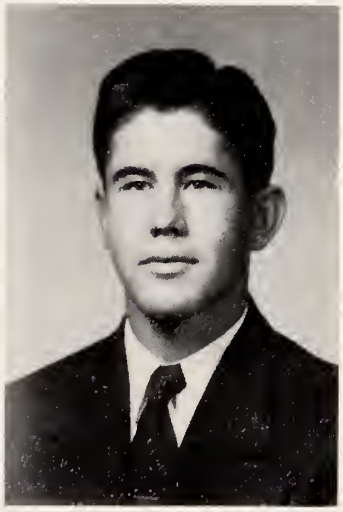
JIMMY OLIVE
Pet Peeve: Listening to a giggling girl trying to tolk.
Ambition: Veterinarian.



BETTY PARKER
Pet Peeve: Folse teeth.
Ambition: Go to A. C. C.

SHIRLEY PARKER
Pet Peeve: Moustaches.
Ambition: Nurse.



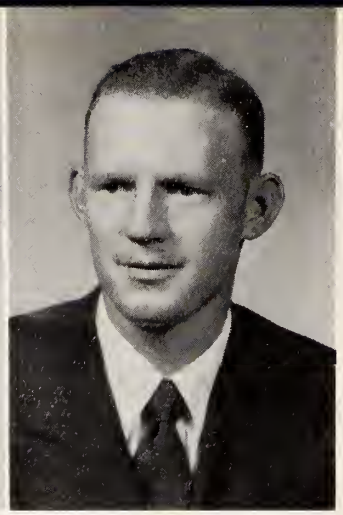


OZZIE RAYNOR
Pet Peeve: Girls.
Ambition: Potrolmon.

PHIL SANDERS
Pet Peeve: Being called "Blondie".
Ambition: Millionoire.

POLLY SLAUGHTER
Pet Peeve: Literature.
Ambition: To be o Nurse.

SHIRLEY SMITH
Pet Peeve: Nosy people.
Ambition: Nursing.

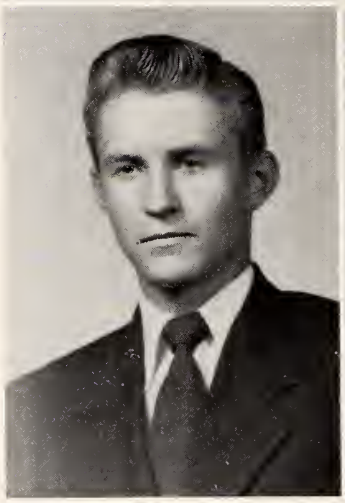


DAVID SNEAD
Pet Peeve: English.
Ambition: Join the Navy.

MAVOREEN SNEAD
Pet Peeve: Crooked stocking seams.
Ambition: Go to Campbell College.

BARBARA STANLEY
Pet Peeve: People who make you feel "not wanted".
Ambition: To learn to carry a tune.

ZANE THORNTON
Pet Peeve: Grumbling people.
Ambition: Pharmacist.



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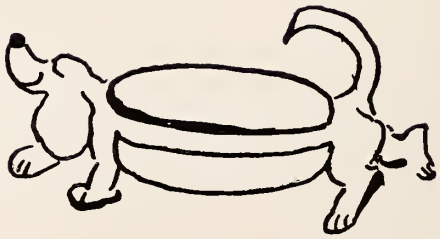
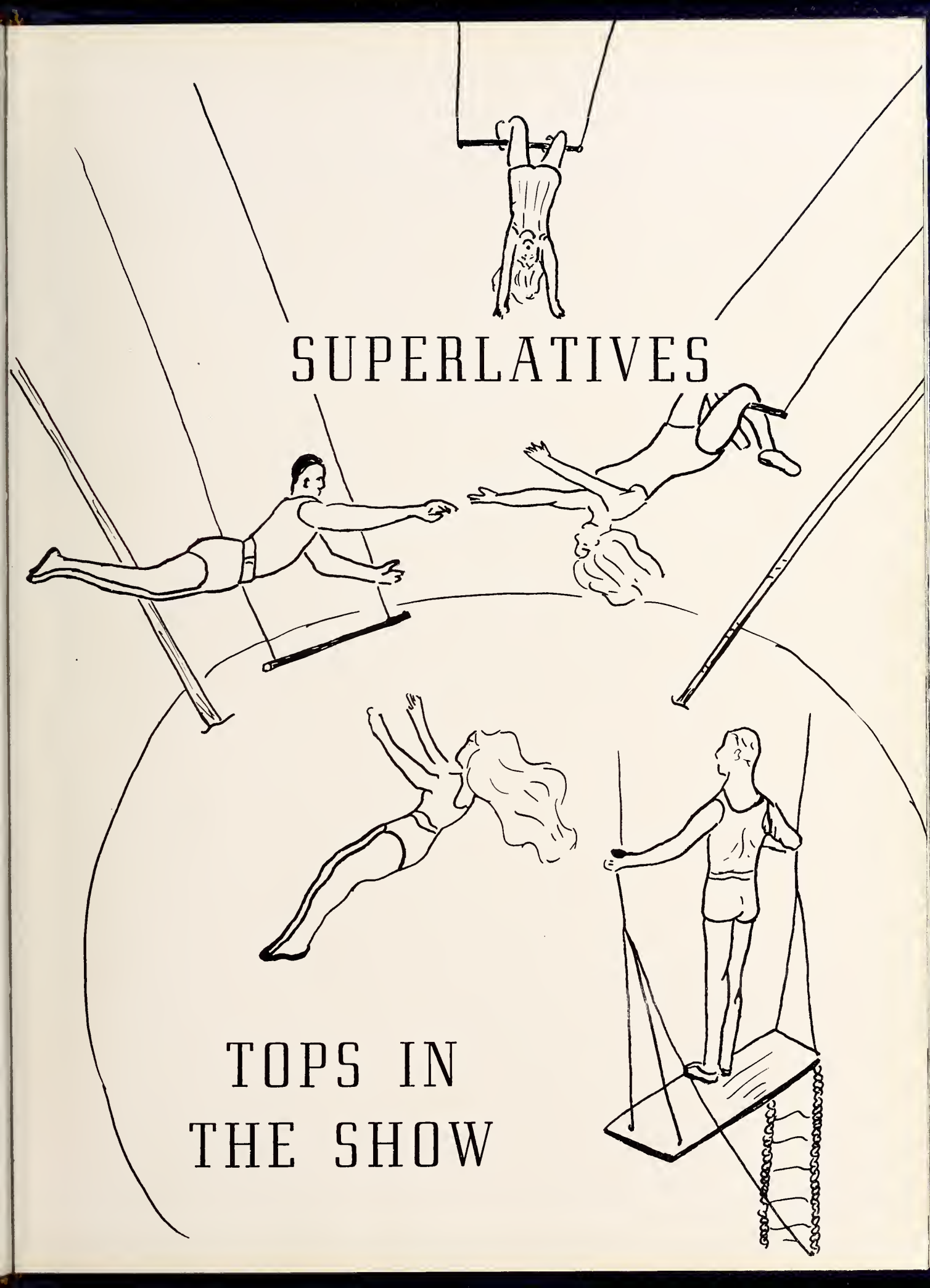
Pet Peeve: English.
Ambition: Nurse.

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MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

WRIGHT LANGLEY

ANNE GRADY

MOST POPULAR

SHIRLEY SMITH BILLY FOWLER

BEST PERSONALITY

DOROTHY TEMPLE OLIVE

CHARLES McCLENNY

FRIENDLIEST

ELWOOD BASS

BETTY HOLLOWAY

WITTIEST

SHIRLEY MAYES

GENE BAKER

BEST LOOKING

LAURA BETH BARBOUR

DONALD CREECH

MOST ORIGINAL

MACK JOHNSON CHRISTINE HOCKADAY

MOST COURTEOUS

JEAN MOORE PHIL SANDERS

BEST SPORT

BARBARA STANLEY

OZZIE RAYNOR

BEST DRESSED

BETTY JEAN McLAMB

EDWARD LASSITER

SENIOR DIRECTORY

STANFORD ADAMS
Vice-Pres. Stu. Gav. 4
Sgt.-at-Arms Stu. Gav. 3
NHS 4
Acorn Club 2, 3
Boseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Monogram Club 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 3
Juniar Play
Library Staff 1, 2

ELVIN ALLEN
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4

GENE BAKER
Cheerleader 2
Managram Club 3, 4
Acarn Club 2
NHS 3, 4
Juniar Play
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4
Student Cauncil 3
4-H Club 1, 2
Bus. Mgr. Oak Leaf 4
Library Staff 2
Marshal

JEAN BAKER
Class Vice-Pres. 2
Juniar Play

KAY BARBOUR
Glee Club 2, 3
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Acarn Club 4
FHA 2, 3
4-H Club 1

LAURA BETH BARBOUR
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 1, 2, 3
Acarn Club 2, 3, 4
Manogram Club 2, 3, 4
Student Cauncil 4
Bus Drivers Club 3
Juniar Play

ELWOOD BASS
FFA 1, 2, 4
4-H Club 2, 3, 4
Bus Drivers Club 4
Baseball 3, 4
Cheerleader 4
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4

NELLIE BEASLEY
FHA 1
Glee Club 1, 2

DOROTHY BLACKMON
Glee Club 3, 4
Junior Play
Acorn Club 4

EARTHUL CLIFTON
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4

DONALD CREECH
Class Vice-Pres. 3
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4

BILLY FOWLER
Library Staff 1
Student Council 2
Class Treas. 3
Oak Leaf Staff 4

ANNE GRADY
Student Council 1
Oak Leaf Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Acarn Club 2
NHS 3, 4
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4
Manogram Club 3, 4
Chief Marshal
Editar af Acarn 4
Juniar Play
Jr. Ed. af Acarn 3
Glee Club 1, 2, 3
Library Staff 1, 2

SHIRLEY HASKETT
Basketball 2, 3
4-H Club 1

CHRISTINE HOCKADAY
Oak Leaf Staff 2
Library Staff 1, 2, 3
Editar af Oak Leaf 4
Student Cauncil 3
Basketball 2

LEROY HOLLEY
Glee Club 1
4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4
FFA 1, 2, 4
Junior Play

BETTY HOLLOWAY
Library Staff 1
4-H Club 1
FHA 2
Bus. Mgr. of Acorn 4

THENA IVEY
Glee Club 2, 3, 4
Juniar Play

ALICE JACKSON
4-H Club 1, 2, 3

ADA BELL JOHNSON

FLORINE JOHNSON

HAROLD JOHNSON
FFA 1, 2
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4
Student Cauncil 4

JOEL JOHNSON
Juniar Play

MACK JOHNSON
Junior Play
Monogram Club 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Sgt.-at-Arms Stu. Gov. 4
Bus Drivers Club 4
Central Dist. Rep. of Stu. Gov. 3
Glee Club 3

MARGIE JOHNSON
Acorn Club 3, 4
Glee Club 3
Bus Drivers Club 4
Library Staff

RALPH JONES
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4

CARL LANGDON
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2
Student Cauncil 1, 2, 3
Class President 2
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Bus Drivers Club 2, 3, 4
Monagram Club 3, 4

WRIGHT LANGLEY
Class President 1
Sgt.-at-Arms Stu. Gav. 2
Acorn Club 1, 2
Treas. Stu. Cauncil 3
Marshal
NHS 3, 4
Junior Play
Snapshot Ed. Acorn 3, 4
State Stu. Gav. Rep. 2, 3, 4
Central Dist. Rep. 2, 3
Pres. Stu. Gav. 4
Pres. N. C. Stu. Gov. Cangress 4
Glee Club 2, 3
Stu. Gav. 1, 2, 3, 4

EDWARD LASSITER
FFA 1, 2
4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Student Council 3
Class President 3
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 2, 3
Junior Play

SHIRLEY LEE
Glee Club 2, 3, 4
FHA 1
Acorn Club 3, 4

JAMES LOVE
FFA 2, 3, 4
Cir. Mgr. Oak Leaf 4

EDNA MAHLER
Class Treosurer 1
Glee Club 2, 3, 4
4-H Club 1, 2
Bus Drivers Club 4

EDWARD MARTIN
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4

JAMES MASSENGILL
Glee Club 1
Student Council 1, 2
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4

JEAN MASSENGILL
Class Sec.-Treas. 1
FHA 2
Glee Club 2, 3
Acorn Club 3, 4
Monogram Club 4
Cheerleader 3, 4
Feot. Ed. Oak Leaf 4
Class Vice-Pres. 4

SHIRLEY MAYES
FHA 3
Student Council 1
Acorn Stoff 4
Junior Play
Glee Club 2

CHARLES McCLENNY
Beto Club 2, 3
Beta Club Ploy 2, 3
Junior Play
Closs Treos. 4

BETTY JEAN McLAMB
4-H Club 1
Library Stoff 3
Student Council 3
FHA 3, 4
Junior Ploy
Literory Ed. Ook Leof 4
Asst. Ed. Acorn 4
Closs Secretary 4
Acorn Club 4

FAYE LEE MODLIN
Glee Club 1, 2
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
Student Council 3
Ad-Manager Acorn 4
Bus Drivers Club 4

JEAN MOORE
Glee Club 2, 3, 4
Acorn Club 4
Ook Leaf Staff 4

LOLITA NORRIS
Glee Club 2, 3, 4
FHA 1, 2
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4
Acorn Club 3, 4

DOROTHY TEMPLE OLIVE
Student Council 1, 2
Library Staff 2
Glee Club 2, 3, 4
FHA 1, 2, 3
Oak Leof Staff 1, 3
Acorn Club 3, 4
4-H Club 1

JIMMY OLIVE
4-H Club 1, 2
Wildlife Club 3
FFA 4

BETTY JEAN PARKER
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4-H Club 1
FHA 1

SHIRLEY PARKER
FHA 1, 2
Glee Club 1

OZZIE RAYNOR
Junior Ploy

PHIL SANDERS
Basketboll 2, 3, 4
Boseball 3, 4
Sports Ed. Oak Leaf 4
Monogram Club 3, 4
Class President 4
FFA 1, 2
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4
Student Council 2, 4

POLLY SLAUGHTER

SHIRLEY SMITH
Library Staff
Acorn Staff 4
Acorn Club
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4
FHA 1, 2
Bus Drivers Club 3, 4
Junior Play

DAVID SNEAD
Bus Drivers Club 2
Basketboll 1, 2, 3
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4

MAVOREEN SNEAD
Glee Club 1
FHA 1
Morshal
Art Ed. Oak Leaf 4

BARBARA STANLEY
Class Vice-Pres. 1
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Monogram Club 3, 4
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Junior Play
Student Council 3
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Oak Leaf Stoff 4

ZANE GREY THORNTON
Student Council 1
Closs Secretary 3
Marshal
Acorn Club 2, 3
Baseball 3

JUANITA WOODALL

MASCOTS

SUSAN JOHNSON

CRAIG JOHNSON

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Senior Class of Four Oaks High School, of Johnston County, North Carolina, do hereby revoke all wills and codicils heretofore made by us, and do hereby make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament in manner and form as follows:

ITEM I. We, the Senior Class of 1953, leave to the Junior Class:

(A) Our quiet, orderly, dignified, well-mannered, industrious, intellectual, business-like, ambitious, illustrious, impressive, enchanting, captivating, charming, co-operative, and mercenary spirit.

(B) Mrs. Wilkins.

ITEM II. We, the Senior Class of 1953 leave to the Sophomore Class:

(A) Our determination and hope for the future.

ITEM III. We, the Senior Class of 1953 leave to the Freshman Class:

(A) The happy thought that "Old School Teachers never die, they're just around the corner".

(B) Our deepest sympathy.

ITEM IV. We, the Senior Class of 1953 leave to the teachers:

(A) Since we realize how they hate to see us go, a promise of future visits.

ITEM V. I, Stanford Adams, leave my sweet, innocent appearance to Charles Upchurch.

ITEM VI. I, Elvin Allen, leave my speed at the typewriter to Pete Lassiter.

ITEM VII. I, Gene Baker, do maliciously leave my position as the meanest boy in the Senior Class to Sherrill Lee in hopes that he will be as mean or even meaner.

ITEM VIII, I, Jean Baker, leave my quiet disposition to Lessie Beasley.

ITEM IX. I, Kay Barbour, leave my long eyelashes to Margaret Adams, along with a book of instructions.

ITEM X. I, Laura Beth Barbour, leave my ability to keep calm in any situation to Peggy Massengill.

ITEM XI. I, Elwood Bass, leave my geometric ability to Mr. Hatcher.

ITEM XII. I, Nellie Beasley, leave my left-over freckle cream to Dorothy Stanley.

ITEM XIII. I, Dorothy Blackmon, leave my dramatic ability to Anne Beasley.

ITEM XIV. I, Earthul Clifton, leave my height to John H. Allen.

ITEM XV. I, Donald Creech, leave my good looks to Hampton Lee.

ITEM XVI. I, Billy Fowler, leave my ability to win friends and influence people to DeVan Ballance.

ITEM XVII. I, Shirley Haskett, leave my punctuality to Iris Ruth Johnson.

ITEM XVIII. I, Christine Hockaday, leave my flair for writing to Anne Hockaday.

ITEM XIX. I, Betty Holloway, leave my artistry at the keyboard to La Rue Stephenson.

ITEM XX. I, Leroy Holley, leave my ability to keep away from women to Wilbur Massengill.

ITEM XXI. I, Thena Ivey, leave my good humor to Levay Johnson.

ITEM XXII. I, Alice Jackson, leave my co-operative spirit to Willie Wilkins.

ITEM XXIII. I, Ada Bell Johnson, leave my congeniality to Magdalene Adams.

ITEM XXIV. I, Florine Johnson, leave my ability to surprise people to Hilda Baker.

ITEM XXV. I, Harold Johnson, leave my school bus to anyone who can stand it.

ITEM XXVI. I, Joel Johnson, leave the thought that Napoleon was short, too.

ITEM XXVII. I, Mack Johnson, am just leaving.

ITEM XXVIII. I, Margie Johnson, leave my quiet, ladylike decorum to Peggy Mahler.

ITEM XXIX. I, Ralph Jones, leave my good behavior in class to Bobby Bass.

ITEM XXX. I, Carl Langdon, leave my ability to know a little bit about everbody to Marvin Dodd.

ITEM XXXI. I, Wright Langley, Jr., leave my fatal charm to Bobby Blackmon.

ITEM XXXII. I, Edward Lassiter, leave my happy-go-lucky spirit to Roy Johnson.

ITEM XXXIII. I, Shirley Lee, leave my neatness to Jo Ann Massengill.

ITEM XXXIV. I, James Love, leave my willingness to work to Thomas Parker.

ITEM XXXV. I, Edna Mahler, leave my big smile to Marlene Adams.

ITEM XXXVI. I, Edward Martin, leave my friendliness to Carlyle Upchurch.

ITEM XXXVII. I, James Massengill, leave my girl friends to Zeke Cox.

ITEM XXXVII. I, Jean Massengill, leave my deep love of cameras to Eva Wood Johnson.

ITEM XXXIX. I, Shirley Mayes, leave my boundless energy to Betty Langdon.

ITEM XL. I, Charles McClenny, leave my car along with plenty of adhesive tape and tobacco twine to Rebecca Lee.

ITEM XLI. I, Betty Jean McLamb, leave my sweetness to Margaret Creech.

ITEM XLII. I, Faye Modlin, leave my meditativeness to Barbara Benson.

ITEM XLIII. I, Jean Moore, leave my ability to get along with others to Jeanette Allen.

ITEM XLIV. I, Lolita Norris, leave my compatability to Betty Barbour.

ITEM XLV. I, Dorothy Olive, leave my dimples to Dorothy Sanders.

ITEM XLVI. I, Jimmy Olive, leave my ability to accept life as it is to Charles Massengill.

ITEM XLVII. I, Betty Parker, leave my industriousness to Annette Ingram.

ITEM XLVIII. I, Shirley Parker, leave my ready smile to Betty Jean Whaley.

ITEM XLIX. I, Ozzie Raynor, leave my helpfulness to Talmadge Snead.

ITEM L. I, Phil Sanders, leave my determination to Joe Lassiter.

ITEM LI. I, Polly Slaughter, leave my pleasant disposition to Maverine McCabe.

ITEM LII. I, Shirley Smith, leave my popularity to Mary Lou Lee.

ITEM LIII. I, David Snead, leave my bashfulness to Leroy Parker.

ITEM LIV. I, Movereen Snead, leave my preciseness to Jo Linda Moore.

ITEM LV. I, Zane Thornton, leave my reputation as a "ladies' man" to Levon Wood.

ITEM LVI. I, Juanita Woodall, leave my seat by the door to anybody who likes to be the first out of class.

ITEM LVII. We, Anne Grady and Barbara Stanley, being of sound mind and realizing that we need everything we have, leave nothing to anybody.

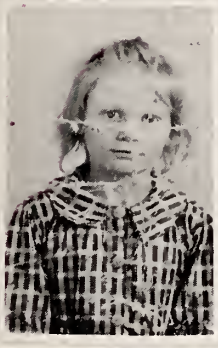
In testimony whereof, We, the said Senior Class of Four Oaks High School, have signed the preceding page which together with this page constitutes this our last will and testament and do hereunto set our hands this thirteenth day of January, 1953.

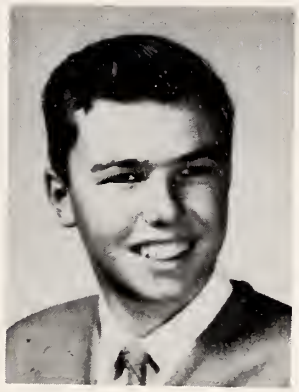
The Senior Class of Four Oaks High School.

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said Senior Class to be their last will and testament in the presence of us who at their request and in their presence and in the presence of each other do hereto set our hands as witnesses. . . .

Mr. C. G. Grady
Mrs. C. G. Grady
Mrs. E. V. Wilkins

ATTORNEYS: Anne Grady—Barbara Stanley





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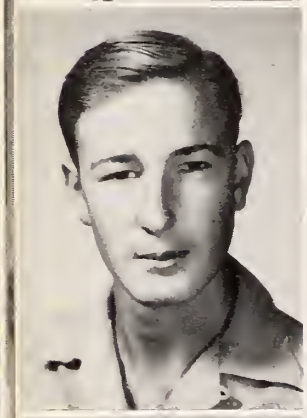

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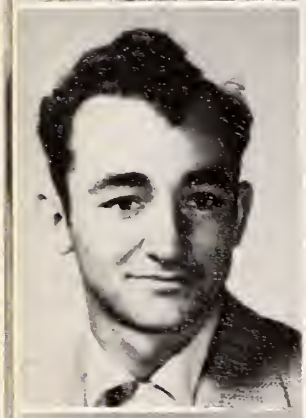

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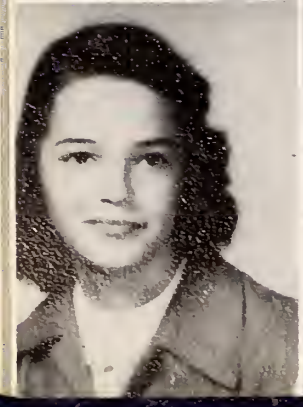
DELORES BOYD
ALICE BOYKIN



MARTHA CORN
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MARGARET CREECH

JUNIOR CLASS

MARVIN DODD
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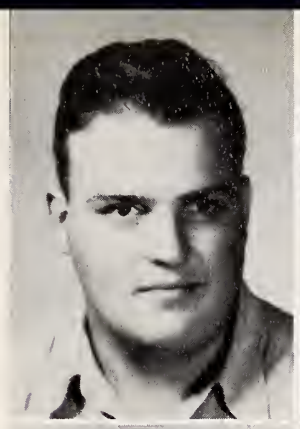
GLORIA EVANS
RENA HAYES



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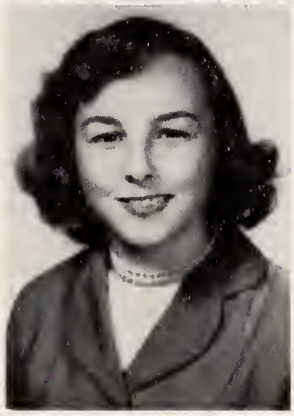
JEAN HOLMES
ANNETTE INGRAM



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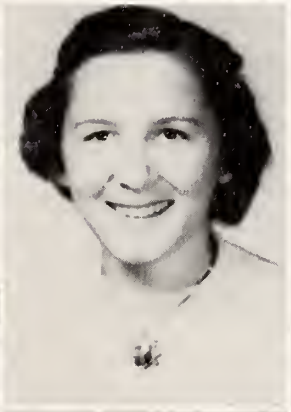

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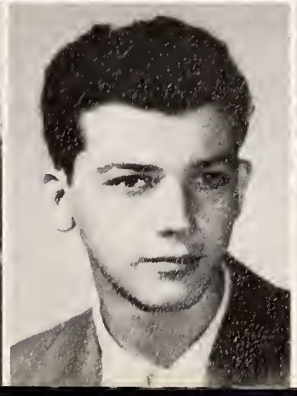

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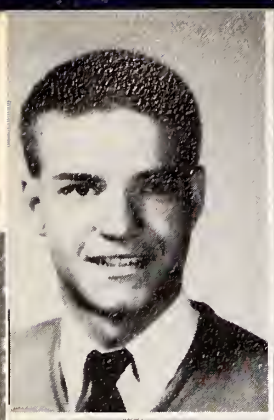

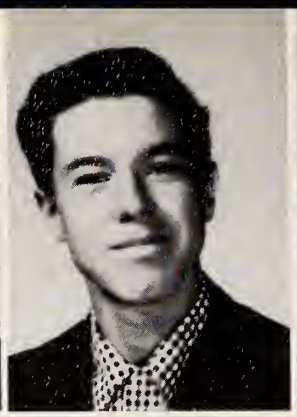

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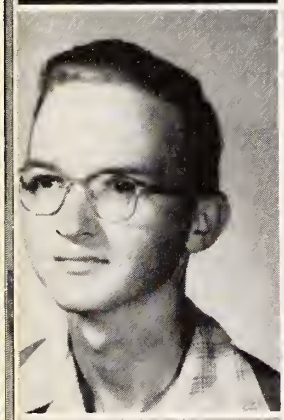

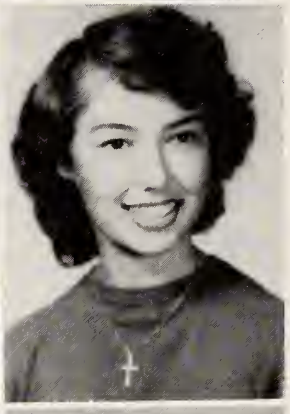

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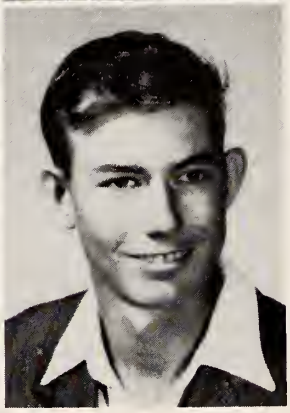

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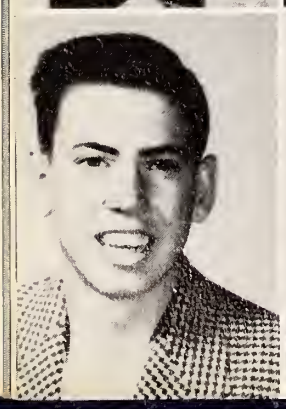
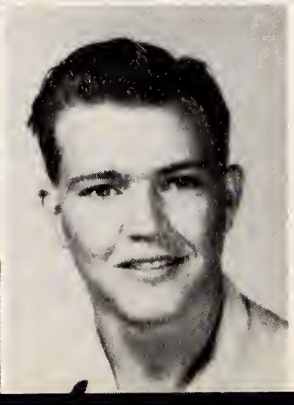
JO LINDA MOORE
VERNON NORRIS





LEROY PARKER
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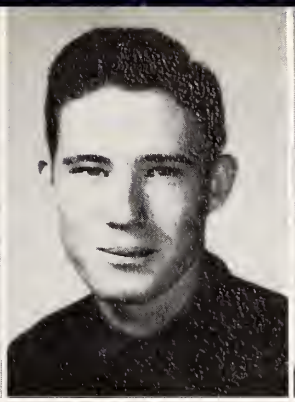

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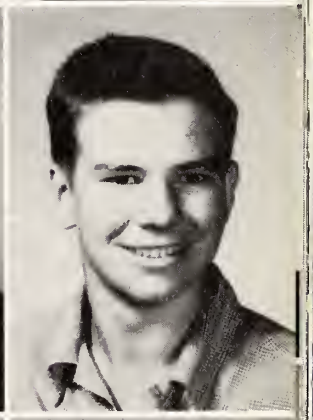

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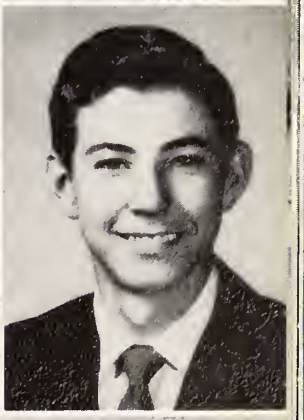

LOIS WOOD
SHIRLEY WOOD

JUNIOR CLASS

FIRST ROW: Graham Adams, Jeanette Adams, Magdalene Adams, Billy Dan Allen, Ella Allen.

SECOND ROW: Gladys Allen, Lloyd Allen, Patricia Allen, Tommy Allen, Grady Atkins.

THIRD ROW: Eugene Baker, Joseph Baker, Charlotte Barbour.

FOURTH ROW: Joe Carl Barbour, Kay Barbour, Doris Barefoot.

FIFTH ROW: Barbara Barnes, Patty Barnhill, Bobby Bass.

SIXTH ROW: Charlie Batten, Cooper Beasley, Margie Beasley.

SEVENTH ROW: Robert Beasley, Faye Benson, Billy Blackmon.

SOPHOMOR

FIRST ROW: Jeanette Blackmon, Billy Brown, Terry Brown, Jo Ann Childers, Rufus Coats.

SECOND ROW: Betty Lou Cobb, Cecil Cobb, Earl Cobb, Cornell Cox, Linwood Creech.

THIRD ROW: Rebecca Critcher, Shirley Eason, Alice Guin.

FOURTH ROW: Dorothy Hargis, Vaden Hartley, Sherwood Hayes.

FIFTH ROW: Curtis Hines, La Verne Ingram, Betty Jane Jackson.

SIXTH ROW: Bobby Jernigan, Eddie Ray Johnson, Elvin Johnson.

SEVENTH ROW: Linwood Johnson, Maybel Johnson, Raymond Johnson.

RE CLASS

FIRST ROW: Anne Keen, Mary Keene, Nathan King, Ruth Langdon, Thel Langdon.

SECOND ROW: DeWitt Langley, Genevieve Lassiter, Sylvia Lassiter, Albert Lee, Faye Lee.

THIRD ROW: Helen Lee, Jacqueline Lee, Veatrice Lee.

FOURTH ROW: Melba McLamb, Anne Massengill, Carolyn Massengill.

FIFTH ROW: Durwood Massengill, Harold Mayo, Nancy Mitchell.

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SEVENTH ROW: Billy Munden, Jean Parker, Larry Parker.

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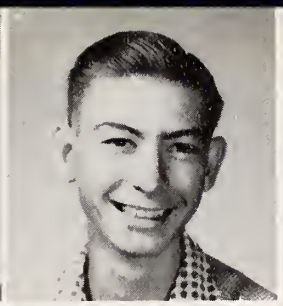

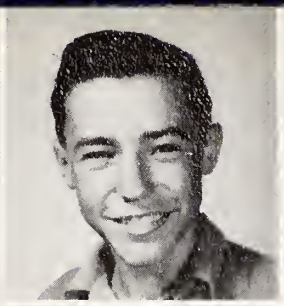
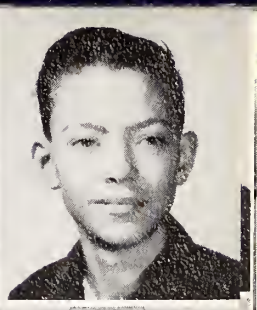

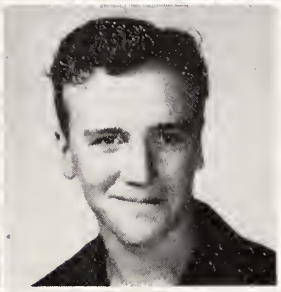

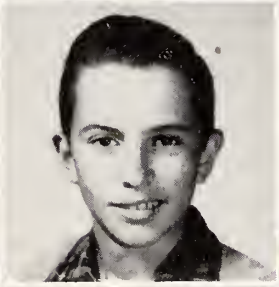

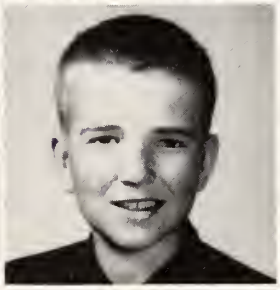

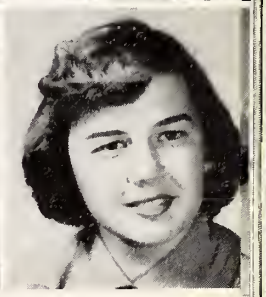

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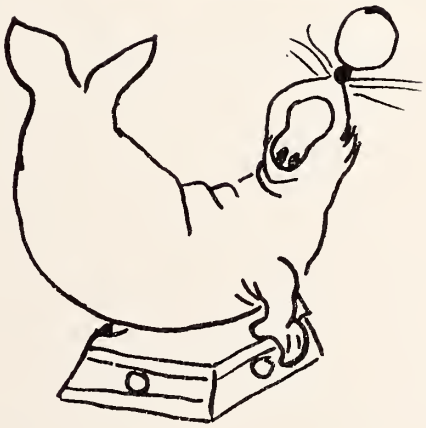

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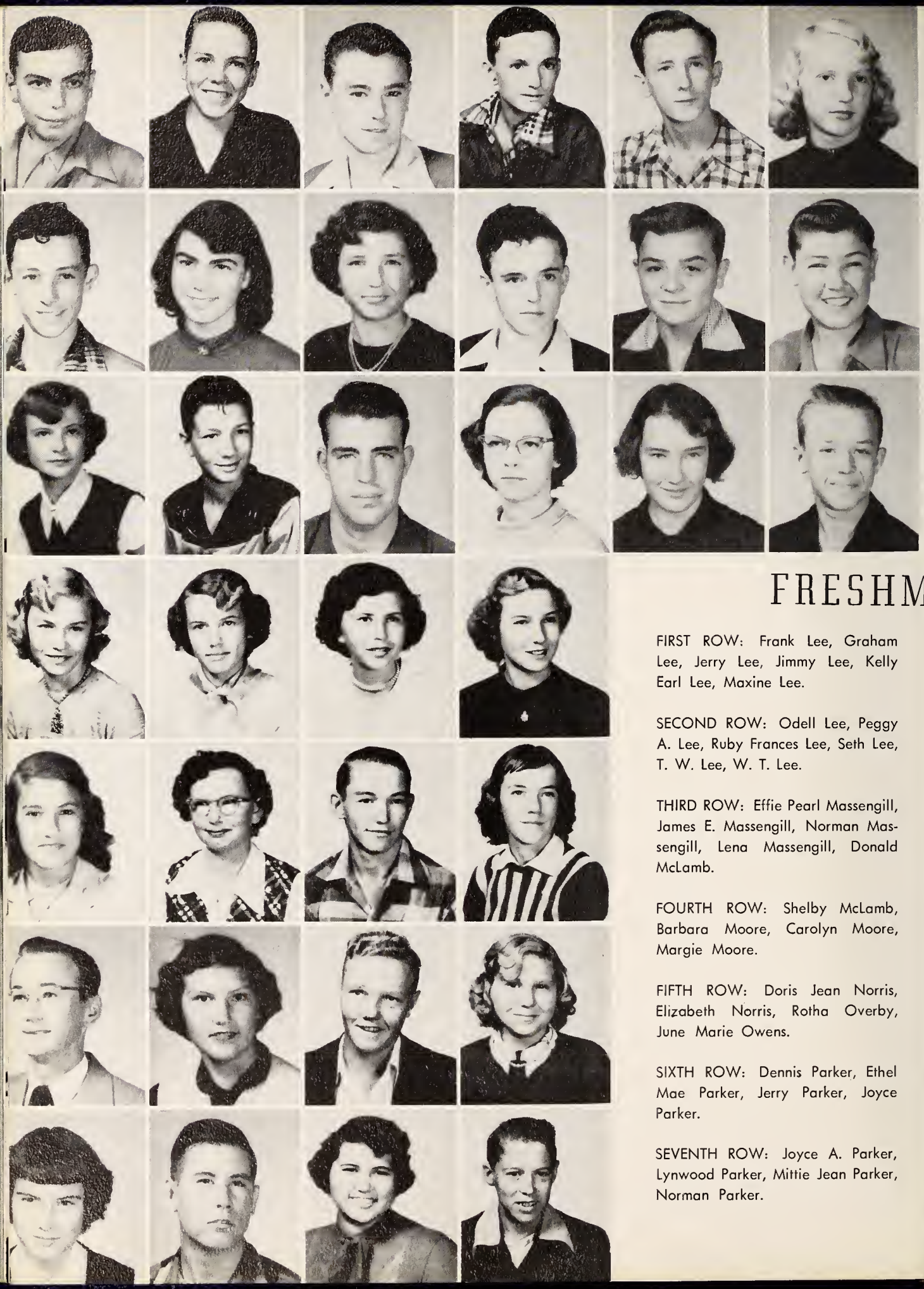

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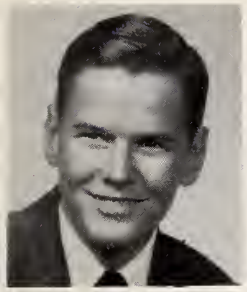

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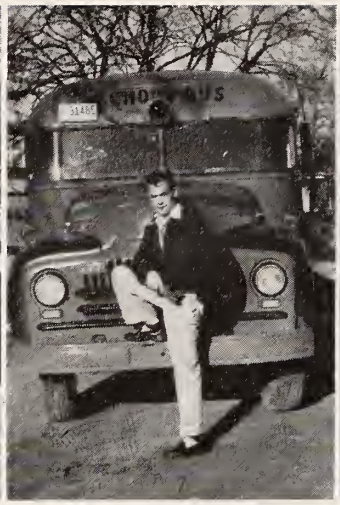
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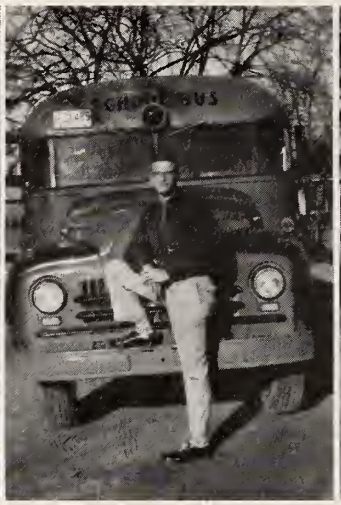
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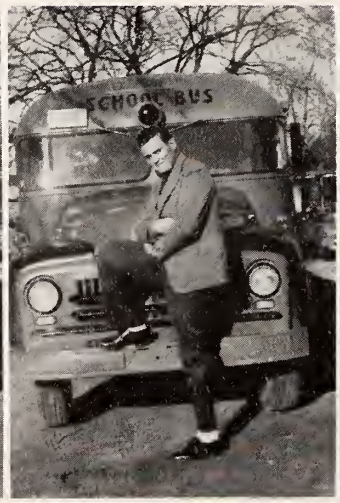
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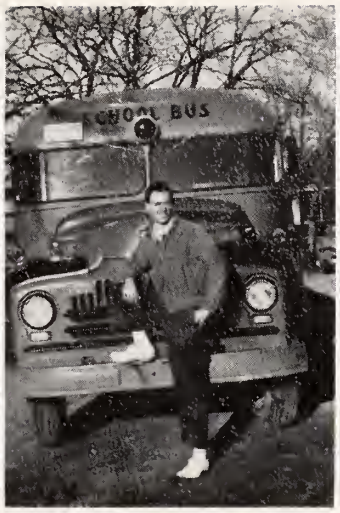

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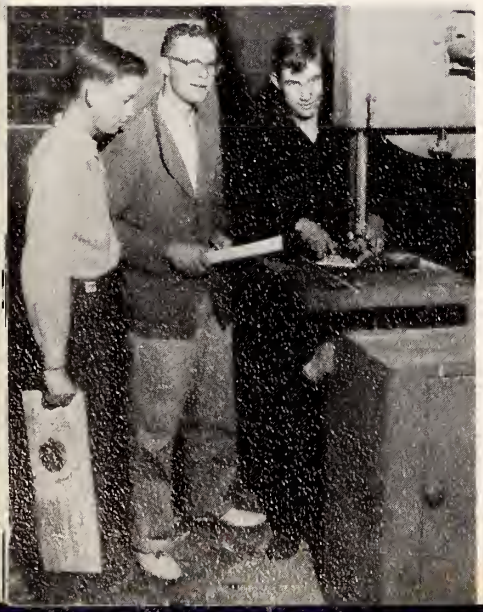

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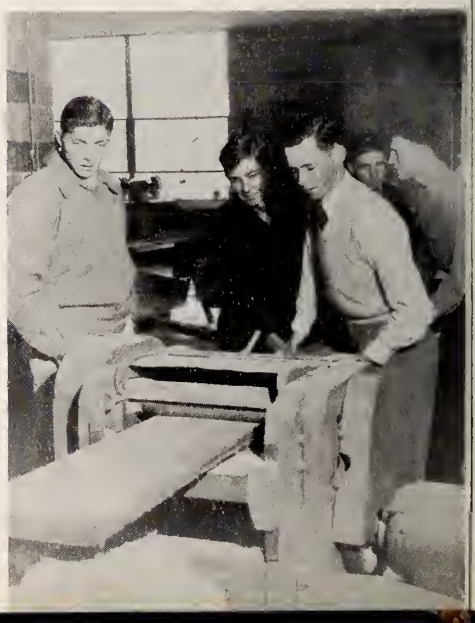

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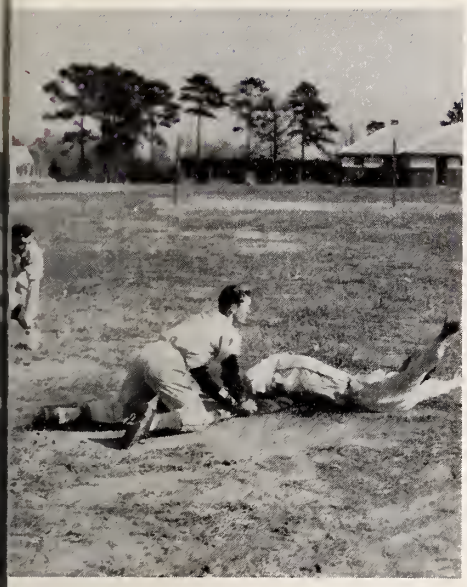

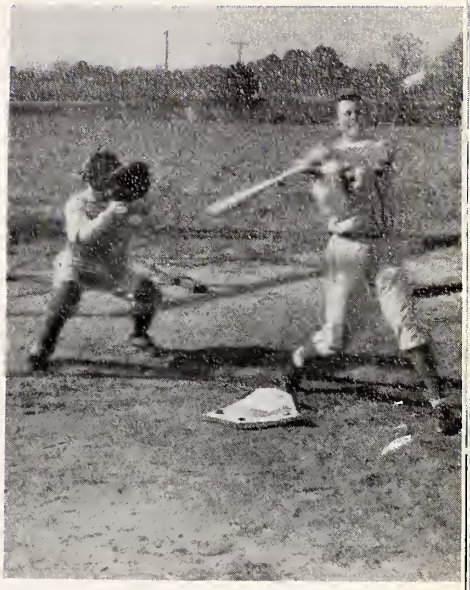

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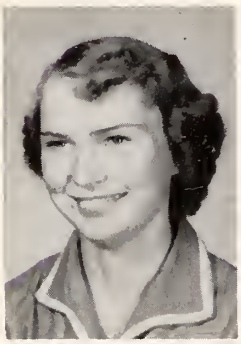
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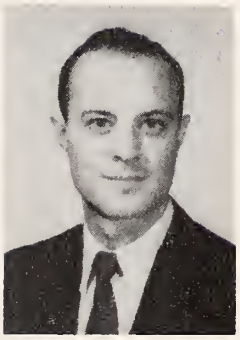

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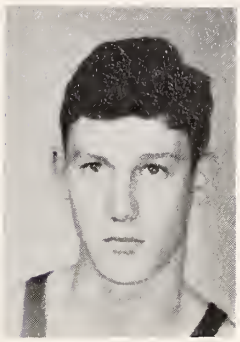

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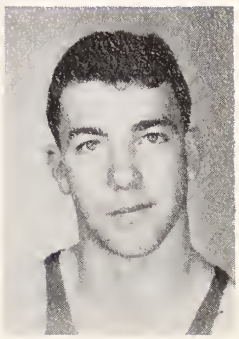

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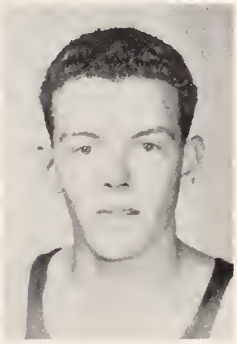

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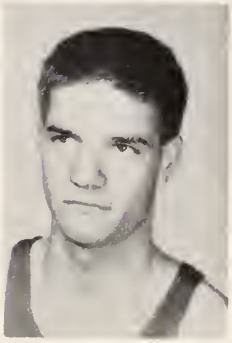

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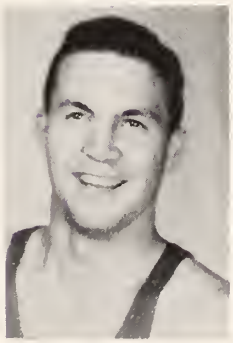

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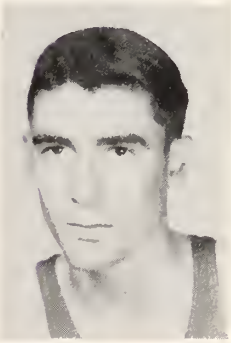

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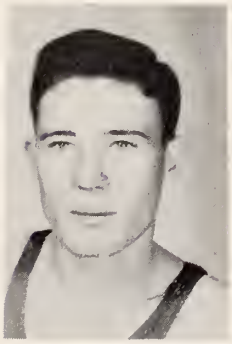

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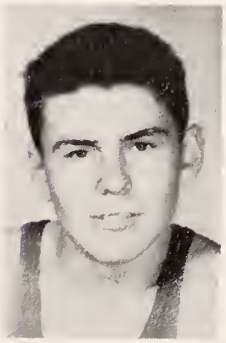

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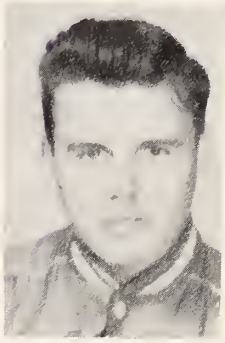

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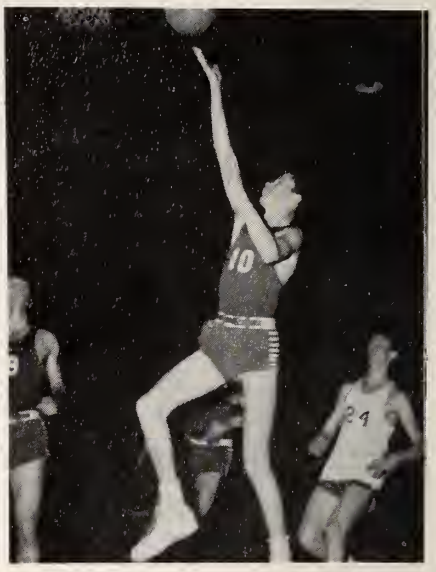
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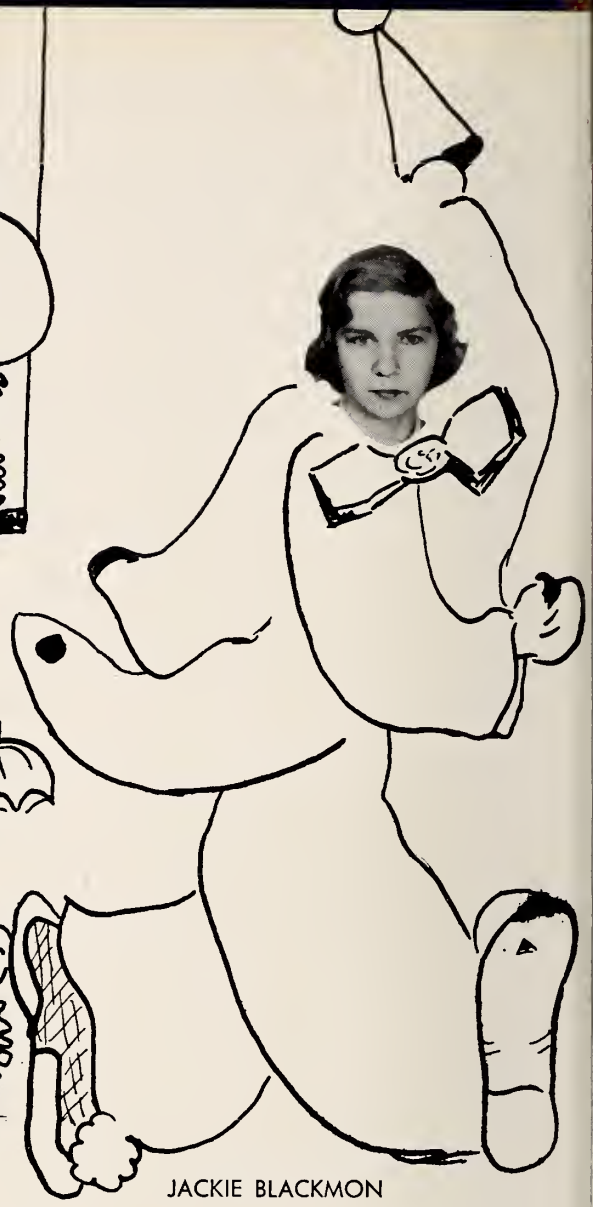

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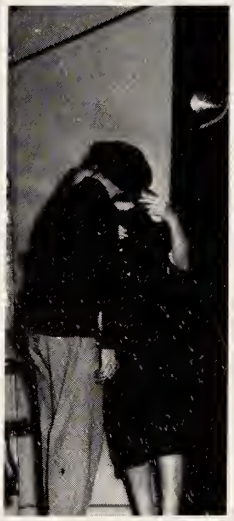

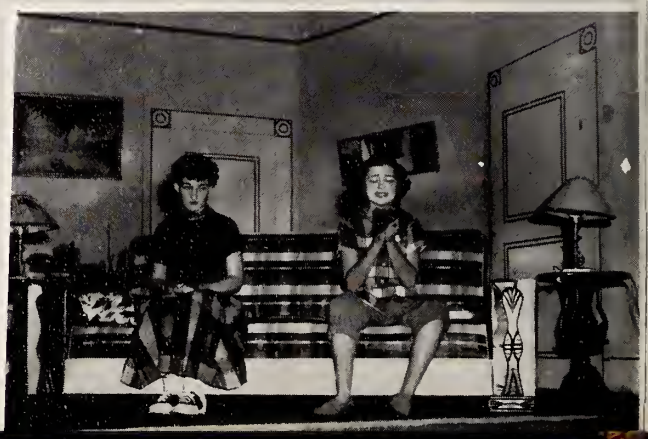

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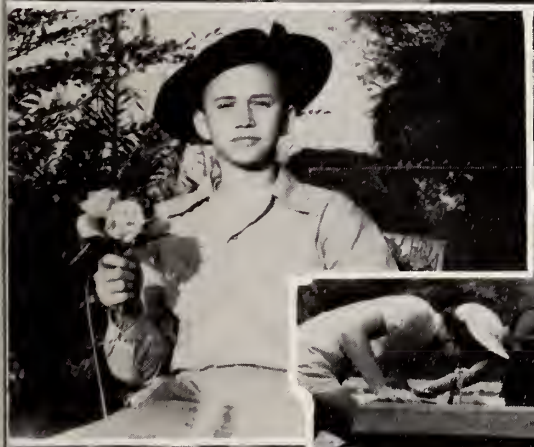

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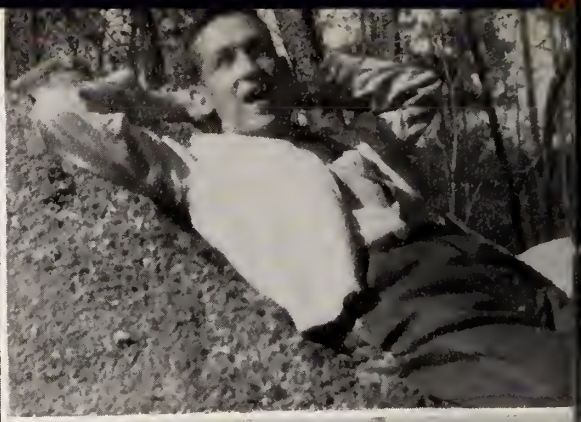

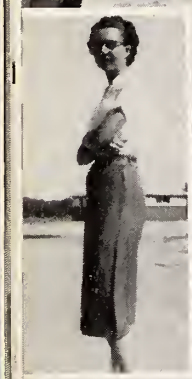

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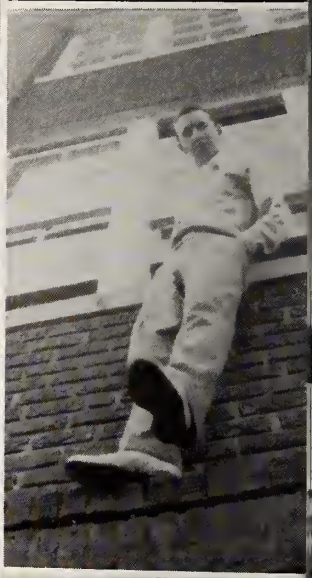

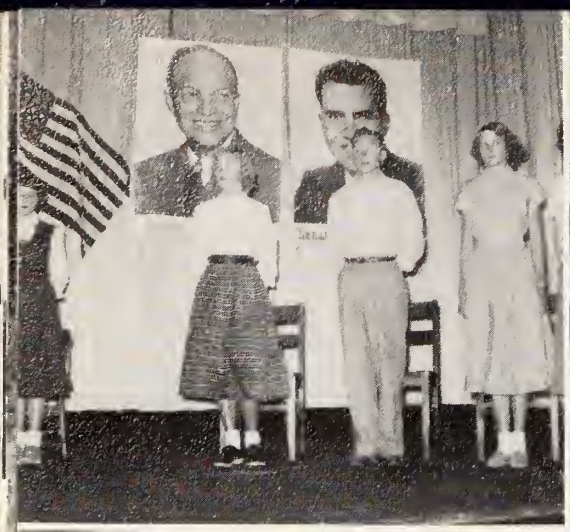

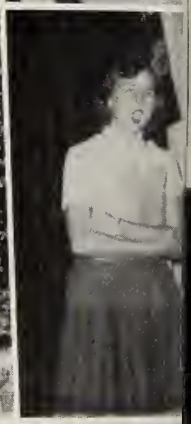

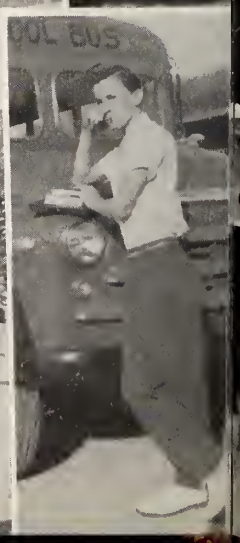

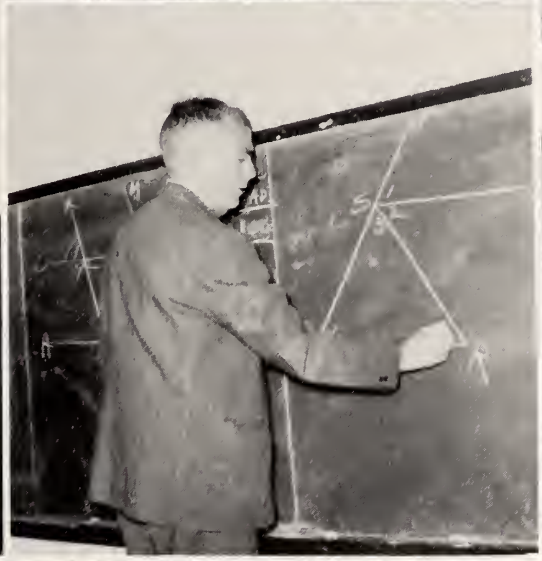

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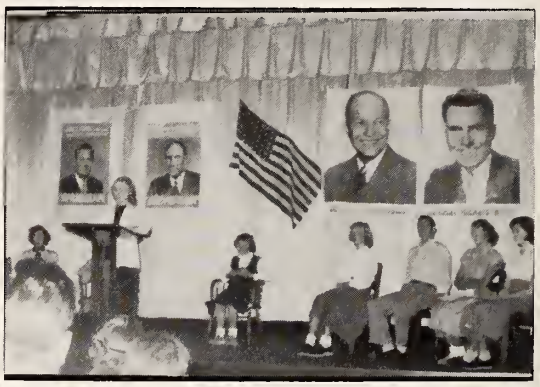

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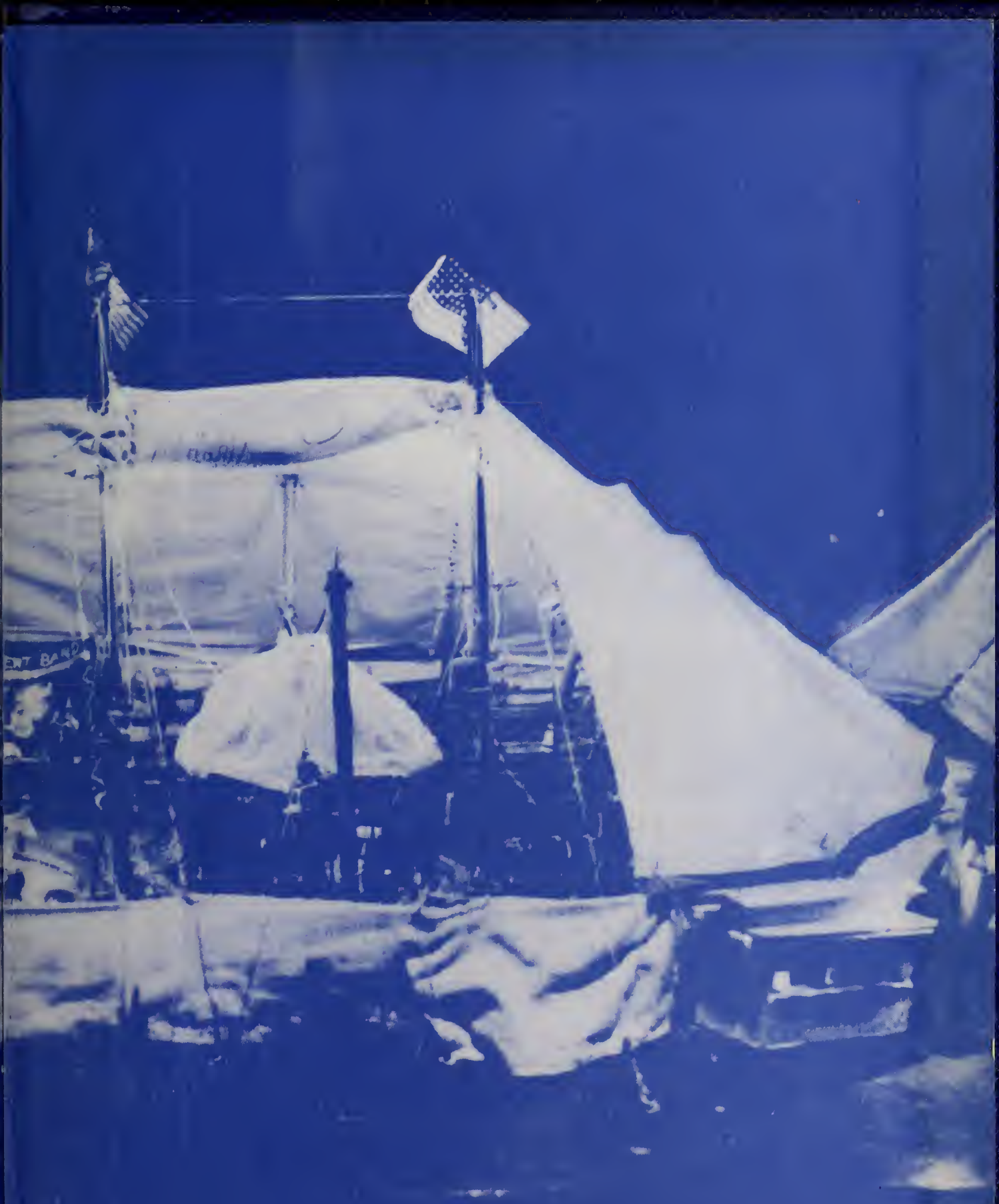

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